MEDICAID PROGRAM MANUAL TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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MEMORANDUM

TO: CUSTODIANS OF MEDICAID OPERATIONS MANUALS

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SUBJECT: MEDICAID OPERATIONS MANUAL CHANGES

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1. BACKGROUND AND EXPLANATIONS

Chapter 300 of the Medicaid Operations Manual is a new chapter that details the policies and procedures necessary for DHCFP to fulfill its federal mandate to monitor Civil Rights compliance among Medicaid and Medicare facilities designated by the Department of Health and Human Services, Office for Civil Rights and the Centers for Medicaid and Medicare Services.

The chapter focuses on the need for designated facilities to comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Age of Discrimination Act of 1975, Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, and the Patient Self-Determination Act of 1990 (PSDA). Facilities include hospitals, nursing homes, intermediate care facilities for the mentally retarded, hospice programs and home health care agencies.